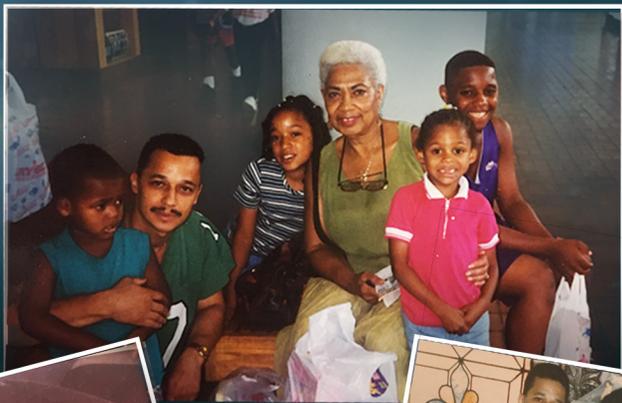


FEBRUARY 6, 1959 – MARCH 21, 2025

Celebrating

THE LIFE OF



Richard V. Speedwell

Wednesday, April 9, 2025

Viewing 9 A.M. | Funeral Service 10 A.M.

Acknowledgments

On behalf of the family of Richard Speedwell, we wish to express our heartfelt gratitude for all of your prayers, expressions of sympathy, and love that has been bestowed upon us during our time of bereavement.



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In Loving Memory

Richard Van Speedwell, affectionately known as Ricky, was born on February 6, 1959, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to Priscilla M. Speedwell and Newton V. Speedwell.

Ricky attended Thomas A. Edison High School, where he graduated with honors. Shortly after, he met Karen Smith, and together they had three beautiful children: Sadiyyah, Richard Jr., and Shakina.

Ricky worked at Budd Automotive Company for 15 years. While there, he met Sherrol Ballard, whom he married in 1990. Together, they raised their children with love and dedication. After leaving Budd Automotive Company, he worked alongside his brothers in the demolition industry for another 15 years before retiring.

Ricky was a devoted family man and die-hard Eagles fan, always sporting his team gear. He loved playing sports with friends and was known for his competitive spirit. His passion for motorcycles was unmistakable—everyone recognized the sound of his bike.

Ricky was a natural entertainer with great humor and a love for music, especially The Temptations, Run-D.M.C., and Public Enemy. He always had loudspeakers ready to keep the party going. An animal lover, he adored his chihuahuas, Shorty and Jack Russell. In his free time, he enjoyed watching war documentaries, the World's Dumbest Criminals, and nature shows. Above all, Ricky cherished time with his family, especially his children.

Ricky was called home to be with the Lord on March 21, 2025, finding eternal peace in God's embrace.

Ricky was preceded in death by his parents, Priscilla M. Speedwell and Newton V. Speedwell Sr.; his sister, Eva M. Davis and his brother, David V. Speedwell, his nephews, William V. Speedwell Jr. and Shawn V. Speedwell Jr., and his wife Sherroll Speedwell. He is survived by his brothers, Newton V. Speedwell Jr., William V. Speedwell, Shawn V. Speedwell, and James V. Speedwell; his sisters, Tina Speedwell-Anderson and Rose M. Speedwell; his daughters, Shakina, Sadiyyah, and Dora; his son, Richard V. Speedwell Jr.; his sisters-in-law, Carolyn Speedwell and Kim Speedwell; his brother-in-law, Richard Daniells; He leaves behind a host of nieces, nephews, grand-nieces, grand-nephews, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and many dear friends.

Sorrowfully Submitted,

The family

Order of Service

- Processional Clergy and Family
- Inspirational Selection..... “Stairway to Heaven”
- Prayer of Comfort Pastor Kinsey
- Old Testament Reading Psalms 23
- New Testament Reading..... John 14:1-6
- Solo.....Minister Kirsten Walker-Davis “This Battle Is Not Yours”
- Cards & Resolutions..... Darryl Sutton
- Reading of the ObituaryDarryl Sutton, Family, and Friends
- Words of ComfortDarryl Sutton, Family, and Friends
- Solo.....Minister Kirsten Walker-Davis – Take Me to the King
- Eulogy Minister Kirsten Walker-Davis
- Mortician’s Brief.....G. Choice Funeral Chapel
- Benediction..... Minister Kirsten Walker-Davis
- Recessional..... Clergy and Family

